

House File 374 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to emergency contact and medical information
2 contained in a driver's license or nonoperator's
3 identification card record.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 22.7, Code 2013, is amended by adding the
2 following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 65. Personal information contained on
4 electronic driver's license or nonoperator's identification
5 card records that is provided by the licensee or cardholder to
6 the department of transportation for use by law enforcement,
7 first responders, emergency medical service providers, or other
8 medical personnel responding to or assisting with an emergency.

9 Sec. 2. EMERGENCY CONTACT AND MEDICAL INFORMATION RECORDS
10 — ADMINISTRATIVE RULES. The department of transportation
11 shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A to implement a
12 process for the input, maintenance, and retrieval of emergency
13 contact and medical information in a record associated with a
14 person's driver's license or nonoperator's identification card.
15 The process shall allow a person to self-manage information
16 voluntarily provided by the person electronically for use in an
17 emergency, to be maintained as an electronic record accessible
18 only to law enforcement personnel from an interface on the
19 person's driver's license or nonoperator's identification card.
20 The information provided by a person shall not appear on the
21 face of the driver's license or nonoperator's identification
22 card. The rules shall specify the types of information that
23 may be stored pursuant to this section, which may include
24 emergency contact information, medical information of value
25 to an emergency medical care provider, out-of-hospital
26 do-not-resuscitate orders issued in accordance with chapter
27 144A, the existence of a living will, and similar information
28 that a person intends to be conveyed to emergency responders
29 and emergency medical care providers in an emergency situation.

30 EXPLANATION

31 This bill requires the department of transportation to
32 adopt administrative rules to implement a process for the
33 input, maintenance, and retrieval of emergency contact and
34 medical information in a record associated with a person's
35 driver's license or nonoperator's identification card.

1 Under the process, a person could voluntarily provide and
2 self-manage information stored in an electronic format which
3 could be accessed by law enforcement and shared with emergency
4 responders and emergency medical care providers in an emergency
5 situation. The department is directed to specify by rule
6 the types of information that might properly be included,
7 such as personal contact information, medical information of
8 value to an emergency medical care provider, out-of-hospital
9 do-not-resuscitate orders, and the existence of a living will.
10 The bill amends Code section 22.7 to provide that personal
11 information contained on electronic driver's license or
12 nonoperator's identification card records that is provided by
13 the licensee or cardholder for use by certain law enforcement
14 and medical personnel responding to or assisting with an
15 emergency constitutes a confidential record.